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VISIT TO CANADA OF PRIME MINISTER SHASTRI

The Prime Minister of India, Mr. Lal Bahadur Shastri, paid an official visit to Canada June 10-14 at the invitation of the Canadian Government. During his stay in Canada the Prime Minister visited Ottawa and Niagara Falls and will spend June 14 in Montreal.

While in Ottawa, the Prime Minister of India visited the House of Commons and officially opened the Commonwealth Room in the Parliament Building. He laid a wreath at the War Memorial.

In Montreal, the Prime Minister of India will address a special convocation at McGill University at which an honorary degree will be conferred upon him. He will also call on the Mayor of Montreal at the City Hall.

The Prime Minister of India had discussions with Prime Minister Pearson, and the Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Hon. Paul Martin; with the Minister of Finance, the hon. Walter Gordon; with the Minister of Trade and Commerce, the Hon. Mitchell Sharp; and with the Minister of Industry and Defence Production, the Hon. Charles M. Drury. The High Commissioner for Canada to India, the Hon. Roland Michener, and Canadian officials attended the discussions. The Prime Minister of India was assisted by the Indian High Commissioner to Canada, Mr. B. K. Acharya, Mr. L. K. Jha, Secretary to the